- SEC. 11. Non-conforming assets or business. If a merging or converting bank has assets which do not conform to the requirements of state law for the resulting state bank or carries on business activities which are not permitted for the resulting state bank, the superintendent of banking may permit a reasonable time to conform with state law.
- SEC. 12. Book value of assets. Without approval by the superintendent of banking no asset shall be carried on the books of the resulting bank at a valuation higher than that on the books of a merging or converting bank at the time of its last examination by a state or national bank examiner before the effective date of the merger or conversion.
- SEC. 13. Severability. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of the Act are declared to be severable. The invalidity of any provision as to a national bank or as to the stockholders of a national bank shall not affect its validity as to a state bank or as to the stockholders of a state bank.
- SEC. 14. Publication clause. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in the Clarinda Herald-Journal, a newspaper published at Clarinda, Iowa, and The Sidney Argus-Herald, a newspaper published at Sidney, Iowa.

Approved April 2, 1953.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 230, was published in the Clarinda Herald-Journal, Clarinda, Iowa, April 6, 1953, and in The Sidney Argus-Herald, Sidney, Iowa, April 16, 1953.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 233

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

S. F. 231

AN ACT to amend section five hundred thirty-four point twenty-one (534.21), Code 1950, relating to shares of building and loan associations.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Section five hundred thirty-four point twenty-one (534.21), Code 1950, is amended by adding thereto the following: "Any such building and loan association and any federal savings and loan association may issue shares in the name of one or more persons with the provision that upon the death of the owner or owners therefor the said shares or the proceeds thereof shall be the property of the person or persons designated by the owner or owners and shown by the records of such association, but such shares or proceeds shall
- 9 be subject to the debts of the decedent and the payment of Iowa

- inheritance tax, if any, provided, however, that six months after the date of the death of the owner the receipt or acquittance of the 11
- person so designated shall be a valid and sufficient release and dis-12
- 13 charge of such association for the delivery of such shares or the pay-
- 14 ment so made."

Approved April 10, 1953.

CHAPTER 234

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

S. F. 62

AN ACT to repeal section five hundred thirty-four point eighty-eight (534.88), Code 1950, relating to building and loan associations.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Section five hundred thirty-four point eighty-eight
- (534.88), Code 1950, is hereby repealed.

Approved February 12, 1953.

CHAPTER 235

INSTRUMENTS PAYABLE TO BEARER

H. F. 236

AN ACT to amend section five hundred forty-one point nine (541.9), Code 1950, relating to instruments payable to bearer.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. That subsection three (3) of section five hundred fortyone point nine (541.9), Code 1950, be stricken and the following in-
- serted in lieu thereof:
 "3. When it is payable to the order of a fictitious or nonexisting or living person not intended to have any interest in it, and such fact was known to the person making it so payable, or known to his employee or other agent who supplies the name of such payee; or".

Approved April 10, 1953.